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The following rail movements were observed in ERFURT (M 51/J 36):

a. Train of six flatcars carrying as many tanks, 11 boxcars occupied by troops and 15 flatcars carrying trucks, coming from the direction of NEUDIETENDORF (M 51/J 26), passed through ERFURT at 12:15 p.m. on 24 October 1949 and proceeded toward WEIMAR (M 51/J 57).

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b. Empty train of 23 flatcars and 12 boxcars, coming from the direction of WEIMAR, passed through ERFURT at 1 p.m. and went on toward GOTHA (M 51/J 06).

c. Train of six flatcars carrying as many tanks, 8 boxcars occupied by troops and 10 flatcars carrying trucks, coming from the direction of NEUDIETENDORF, passed through ERFURT at 4:15 p.m. and continued toward WEIMAR.

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d. Train of six flatcars carrying as many tanks, 17 boxcars occupied by troops and 10 flatcars carrying trucks, coming from the direction of NEUDIETENDORF, passed through ERFURT at 7:45 a.m. and went on toward WEIMAR.

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Train of 12 flatcars carrying as many tanks, 11 boxcars occupied by troops and 10 flatcars carrying trucks, coming from the direction of NEUDIETENDORF, passed through ERFURT at 10:15 a.m. on 25 October 1949 and proceeded toward WEIMAR.

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three of the observed trains carried component units of the 20th Gds "ecz Div which are believed to have returned to their winter quarters from the OMRDRUF area upon the completion of maneuvers.

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